

# **PLAN** CINCINNATI

a comprehensive plan for the future

## **Transportation Working Group Meeting**

May 5, 2010

*Welcome*

**Charles C. Graves, III**

Director

Department of City Planning and Buildings

# Agenda

1. Introductions
2. Review of Working Group Process
3. Baseline Understanding: Part I
4. Additional Research Needed
5. Summary
6. Questions

# Tonight's Meeting

- Bear with us – we still have some basic housekeeping to address
- Most Working Group meetings will be more interactive than this meeting
- The purpose of the Working Groups is to encourage public participation, but Milestone I is designed to provide basic background needed to make decisions

# ***Agenda Item 1: Introductions***

- **Cameron Ross, City Planner**
- **City staff from other departments**

# Getting Organized

- Survey of Future Meeting Days and Times
- “Tell Us About Yourself”
  - Form will give us background about Members
  - Is the Working Group truly representative?
  - Let us know your special knowledge or skills
- Who is Missing from the Working Group?

# ***Agenda Item 2: Review of the Working Group Process***

# Plan Cincinnati Process

Summer  
2009

## NEIGHBORHOOD MEETINGS



Introduce PLAN CINCINNATI to 52 Community Councils



Fall  
2009

## COMMUNITY INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS



Hold 4 City Wide Introductory Meetings



Gather Public Input



February  
2010

## THE NEIGHBORHOOD SUMMIT



Vote on Draft Goals



Begin to Develop Action Steps

# Plan Cincinnatiati Process

*You are here*

**April-  
December  
2010**

## WORKING GROUPS

 Local Experts  
Stakeholders  
Interested Parties  
Community Members 

→  
**Develop Visions  
Evaluate Goals  
Develop Action Steps**



**Winter  
2011**

## PRIORITIZATION & IMPLEMENTATION MEETING



Consensus and Prioritization of  
Vision, Goals, Strategies, and  
Implementation Partners



**Spring  
2011**

## CITY PLANNING COMMISSION



**Hold Public Hearing  
Adopt PLAN CINCINNATI**

**Spring  
2011**

## CITY COUNCIL



**Hold Public Hearing  
Adopt PLAN CINCINNATI**

# ***Role of the Working Groups***

# What is the Role of the Working Group?

1. Interpret and guide conditions and trend **Research**
2. Develop, refine and affirm the **Goals and Vision** for each element
3. Recommend **Action Steps** to support the goals

# What is a Vision? A Goal? An Action Step?

**Vision** – An overarching aspiration

## **Goal**

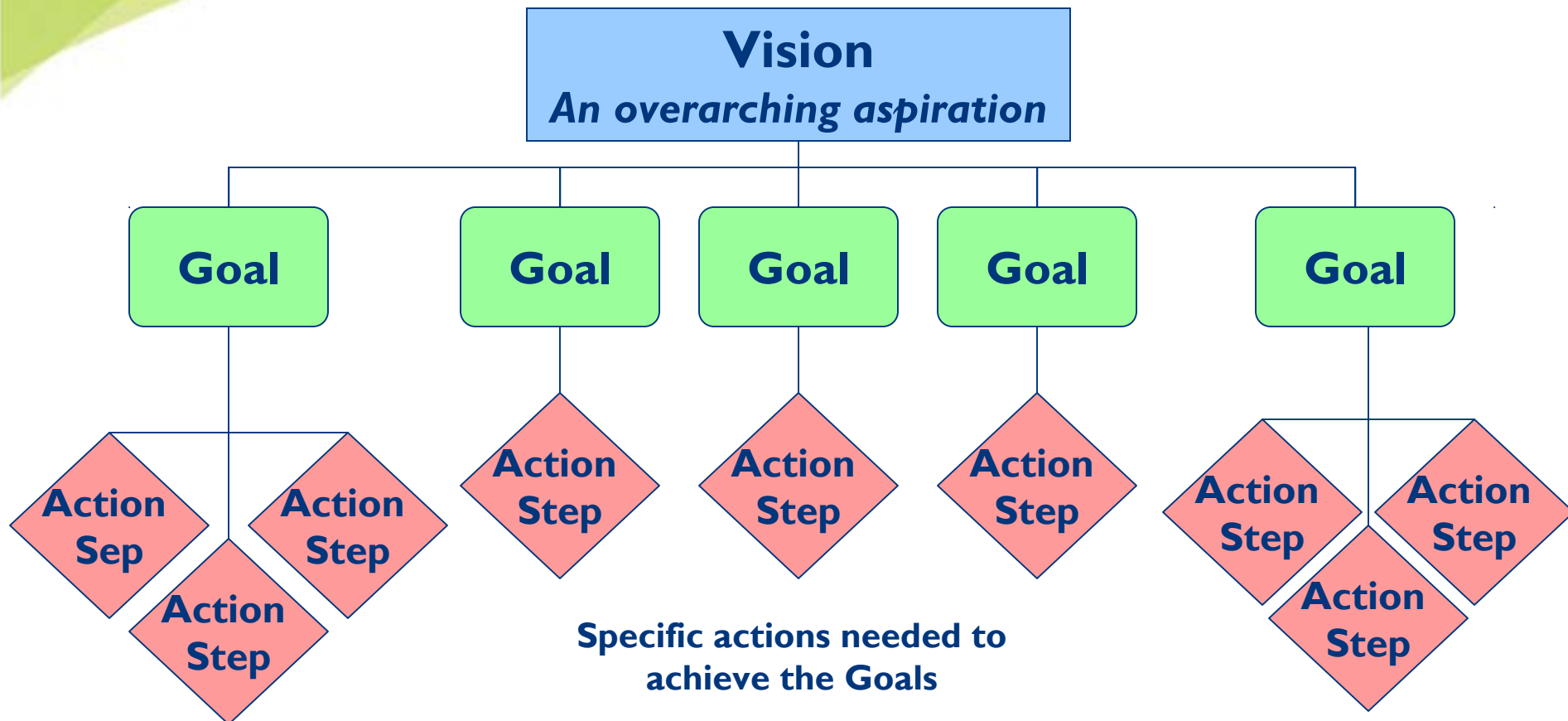
- An intended outcome expressed in simple terms
- Represents general concepts

## **Action Step**

- Identifies the details necessary to reach a goal (what is going to be done, who is going to do it, when it will happen, etc.)

# Plan Policy Hierarchy

3-part structure for plan recommendations



# ***Milestones for Working Groups***

# *Four Major Milestones*

1. **Baseline Understanding**
2. **Goal and Vision Affirmation**
3. **Draft Action Steps**
4. **Final Action Step Recommendations**

# *Milestone 1: Baseline Understanding*

Meetings held: May – June 2010

Completion Deadline: End of June 2010

Purpose:

- Provide background data, existing trends
- Discuss additional research needs
- Review Goals
- Discuss regular meeting schedule
- Complete the Working Group – who is missing?

# Working Group Structure

- All are welcome at any Working Group
- We will determine our own schedule within each Milestone
- Time commitment may be significant - One to two meetings for each milestone (5-10 meetings total for all 4 milestones)
- If you selected more than three Working Groups you may want to prioritize
- Remember – we'll all have opportunity to review, comment and prioritize all Goals and Action Steps

# Working Group Structure

- Staff is aware of what is being discussed at all Working Groups and will share information
- Steering Committee will receive updates at their meetings in May, July, September, November
- Throughout the process there will be cross-pollination

# Working Group Structure

- All work in progress will be posted on Web
- Depending on the size of our Working Group, we may split into smaller groups for decision-making
- Deliberate process – Decisions will be made based on **consensus**, but there is room for other opinions and we will take care to document those other opinions

# What is Consensus?

Consensus = General Agreement; Group Sentiment

Consensus decision-making is a group process that:

- Seeks agreement of most participants;
- Attempts to resolve or mitigate objections;
- Produces a reasonable decision that all members of the group can accept; and
- May not produce an optimal decision for each member.

# How will we reach Consensus?

- There are different ways to reach consensus
- Our Working Group may operate differently than other Working Groups
- Consensus features listening, discussing, and respecting differences of opinion
- Consensus seeks to focus on collaboration rather than compromise
- If you have participated in a planning process in your neighborhood you worked toward consensus

# Why not just take a vote?

- Traditional parliamentary voting is very formal
- It can polarize a group very quickly
- It can inhibit full sharing from some individuals of the group

# ***Agenda Item 3: Baseline Understanding Part I***

# Public Input

- Community Info Meetings/Survey Monkey

Results and Summaries available at:

[www.PlanCincinnati.org](http://www.PlanCincinnati.org)

- Neighborhood Summit



# *Existing Plans and Projects*

- City Plans
- Regional Plans
- Current/Upcoming Projects

# Complete Streets

Streets that enable safe access for users of all ages, abilities and modes: pedestrians, cyclists, transit riders and operators of motor vehicles. The goal of a complete street network is to:

- 1. Support economic development and quality of life**
- 2. Provide more and safer transportation choices**
- 3. Better integrate land use and transportation**

The design of any street should balance the needs of all users and complement the surrounding neighborhood or adjacent land use.

# *Types of Uses and Users of Transportation Systems*

- Pedestrian, Bicycle, and Wheelchairs
- Roadway Transport
- Transit
- Intercity Transport
- Freight
- Other...?

# Pedestrian, Bicycle, & Wheelchairs

- Sidewalks
- Hillside Steps
- Trails
- Side/Shared Paths
- Facilities

# Roadway Transport

- Roadways
- Bridges
- Motor Vehicles
- Trucks
- Bicycles

# Transit

- Bus
- Streetcar
- Rail Transit
- Fixed Guideway

# *Intercity Transport*

- Intercity Passenger Rail
- Intercity Bus
- Airlines
- Riverboats/Recreational Boating

# Freight

- Truck
- Railroad
- Barge
- Air Cargo
- Intermodal

# Other

- Ferry
- Incline
- Duckboats
- Horse-drawn Carriage
- Rickshaw
- Tuk-Tuk
- Taxi
- Valet

# ***Agenda Item 4: Additional Research Needed***

# *What else do we need to know to be successful?*

- Specific Data
- Information on Related Planning Efforts
- Best Practices and Key Area Experts
- Maps
- Other

# Brainstorming

- **Silent Generation of Ideas  
(use Suggestion Form)**
- **Sharing Suggestions**
- **Hand in Suggestion Form**

# ***Agenda Item 5: Summary***

# ***Thank you for attending!***

- Please hand in Future Meeting Dates/Times Form
- Please hand in Who is Missing? Form
- Please hand in Background Form

# ***Agenda Item 6: Questions?***

# PLAN CINCINNATI

---

a comprehensive plan for the future